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The Women's Memorial Committee of the  
**United Sons of Confederate Veterans**  
and the  
Committee of Co-operation of the  
**United Confederate Veterans**

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**Our Women in the War**  
**Memorial to the Women of the Confederacy**

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To Confederate Veterans, Sons of Veterans, members of  
Memorial Associations, Daughters of the Confederacy,  
and all lovers of true history:

Announcement is made that the above Committees,  
through Gen. C. Irvine Walker, their special represen-  
tative, of Charleston, S. C., will publish about May 1st,  
a supplement to one leading daily paper in each of the  
large cities of the South. These supplements will be de-  
voted to historic incidents and narratives, showing the  
deeds and sufferings of the women of the South during the  
War. Each paper will portray principally the deeds of the  
women of the State in which published. In Alabama the  
*Birmingham Age-Herald*, the *Montgomery Journal*, and an-  
other paper to be selected will issue supplements.

WOMEN'S MEMORIAL

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, aided by the Veter-  
ans, after a period of nearly forty years of peace, have de-  
termined to build a memorial which will in some slight meas-  
ure at least stand as an enduring testimony to the gratitude  
of the Southern people to the women of the Confederacy.  
Monuments have been builded here and there to the officers  
and to the men who fought in the Confederate ranks, but no  
monument has been erected to the women who were the in-  
spiration of the courage and devotion of the men in the field.

Thomas Nelson Page pays them this beautiful and ap-  
propriate tribute:

"There was perhaps not a doubtful woman within the

limits of the Confederacy. While their lovers and husbands fought in the field, they performed the harder part of waiting at home. With more than a soldier's courage they bore more than a soldier's hardship. For four long years they listened to the noise of guns, awaiting with blanched faces but undaunted hearts the news of battle after battle; buried their beloved dead with tears, and still amid their tears encouraged the survivors to fight on. It was a force which has not been duly estimated."

The financial returns from the several supplements will be added to the funds being raised for the projected memorial.

#### ALABAMA WOMEN.

The part of Alabama women was no less conspicuous than that of their sisters in other States. It will be the special design of the editor to collect the scattered historical fragments and materials pertaining to them for permanent preservation in the Alabama supplements. These devoted women were more than equal to the emergencies of conditions the most trying. The General Assembly, Dec. 9, 1864, tendered them the thanks of the State, the joint resolution reciting that the members were

"Profoundly and gratefully impressed with the lofty and patriotic spirit, the ardent devotion, and the unremitting labors and sacrifices of the noble women of the State in providing for the wants and comforts of our gallant soldiers, and who by their labors of love, their patience of hope, and their unflinching constancy in our cause, have nerved our soldiers in the field, in their bloody and unequal contest with our cruel and unrelenting foe."

#### HISTORICAL CONTRIBUTIONS DESIRED.

The historical value of the supplements will depend upon the interest shown in the contribution of suitable materials by those to whom appeal is made. It is confidently expected that every camp of Veterans and Sons of Veterans, every local Memorial Association, and every chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, as well as all individual members of these organizations, will promptly forward to the editor every incident and fact which they may have, or which they may be able to secure, relating to Alabama women in the greatest of all wars. The character of materials

desired will readily occur to all, but it may be stated generally that nothing is unimportant which will in any way illustrate or throw light upon the part of the women of our State in the trying years of the sixties.

Old war time letters, newspaper clippings, scrap-book notes, war poetry, etc., etc., are particularly desired.

#### PREPARATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

It is hoped that no one will be deterred from sending in contributions because of supposed lack of literary ability. It is suggested that recollections or incidents be written out in the form of a letter to the editor, who will put everything in proper shape. In all that is written, full names, exact places and dates should as far as possible be given.

Contributions or letters should be plainly written on one side of the paper only. Due credit will be given every one who may render assistance, unless otherwise desired.

#### CO-OPERATION URGED.

Officers of Confederate organizations receiving this circular are urged to have it read to their camp or chapter.

All members of such organizations should send in some contribution.

The papers of Alabama, which have always shown a deep and abiding interest in patriotic matters, are asked to publish this circular in their columns, and to appeal to their readers to co-operate in making a *financial and historical* success of the supplements.

Several copies of the papers will be sent contributors. Copies will also be placed on sale.

All data should be in hand not later than April 1. Address, for further particulars,

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for Alabama.

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